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SUBJ: APPOINTMENT OF NEW COMMISSIONER GENERAL FOR SPOKANE
EXPOSITION

1. ADVISE BIE SECRETARY GENERAL CHALON THAT THE PRESIDENT
HAS APPOINTED CLAUDE BEKINS, PROMINENT SEATTLE
BUSINESSMAN AND CONSERVATIONIST, AS NEW UNITED STATES
COMMISSIONER GENERAL FOR EXPO '74 AT SPOKANE. BEKINS WAS
SWORN IN ON JULY 5, 1974 BY UNDER SECRETARY OF COMMERCE
JOHN K. TABOR.

2. COMMISSIONER GENERAL BEKINS IS PRESIDENT OF THE BEKINS
MOVING AND STORAGE COMPANY OF SEATTLE. HE IS CURRENTLY A
MEMBER OF THE ADVISORY COUNCIL ON EUROPEAN AFFAIRS OF THE
DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE OF THE
WORLD AFFAIRS COUNCIL OF SEATTLE. HIS MANY ACTIVITIES IN
CONNECTION WITH CONSERVATION INCLUDE MEMBERSHIP IN THE
WASHINGTON STATE GAME COMMISSION.

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3. SUGGEST THAT CHALON RELAY THIS INFORMATION TO PRESIDENT
TROENDLE PERSONALLY AND SEND A FORMAL COMMUNICATION TO
ALL BIE MEMBER NATIONS AFVISING THEM THAT MR. BEKINS REPLACED
J. WELLES HENDERSON. KISSINGER

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